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Dear Ms. Crenshaw:

On behalf of the Association of American Publishers (AAP) we are submitting an original and 24 copies of AAP's Notice of Intervention in R2000-1. We have also included a stamp and return copy of the Notice of Intervention.

Please call the undersigned counsel should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 2000)

Docket No. R2000-1

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION OF ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN PUBLISHERS

The Association of American Publishers (AAP) hereby gives notice of its intervention in the above-captioned proceeding in accordance with Section 39 U.S.C. section 3624 and section 20 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

AAP is the principal representative of the book and journal publishing industry in the United States. Its members include large and small publishing houses as well as university, religious and non-profit publishers. The members of AAP make extensive use of all classes of mail. However, they make particular use of Standard B mail, including the Bound Printed Matter and Special Standard subclasses. AAP members also make substantial use of the Non-Profit Periodicals subclass. Changes are proposed for each of these subclasses of mail. Accordingly, AAP is vitally interested in the outcome of this proceeding and, in order to preserve its rights to participate actively in any hearings, conferences, or other proceedings that may be required, files this notice of intervention.

AAP intends to be an active participant in this proceeding. Copies of all documents relating to this proceeding should be served upon Mark L. Pelesh, John R. Przypyszny and Jeffrey J. Lopez, Drinker Biddle and Reath LLP, 1500 K Street, N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, D.C., 20005.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document, by First-Class Mail, upon the participants in this proceeding.

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Date: February 4, 2000